

REMARKS

Claims 1-37 are pending. Claims 17-23 are allowed. Claims 1, 8, 10, 14, 24, 26-28, 31, 34, and 36 have been amended. Claims 7, 13 and 16 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Claims 26 and 33 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112 second paragraph for being indefinite. Applicant has corrected claims 26 and 33 by the foregoing amendment and respectfully requests withdrawal of the rejection.

Claims 1-6, 10-12, 16, 24-26, and 31-33 stand rejected as being anticipated by Kroll (US 5904705) or under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kroll in view of KenKnight (US 6112,117). Claims 7-9, 13-15, 27-30, and 34-37 are objected to for being dependent upon a rejected base claim. Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection, however, in order to expedite prosecution Applicant has amended the claims as suggested by the Examiner. Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitation set forth in claim 7. Independent claim 10 has been amended to include the limitation set forth in claim 13. Independent claims 24 and 31 have been similarly amended.

Applicant respectfully asserts that the present claims are in condition for allowance. Withdrawal of the instant rejection and issuance of a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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